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Dear DJS Staff and Colleagues,

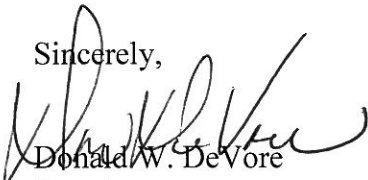
This letter is to update you on the status of the youth at the Baltimore City Juvenile Justice Center (BCJJC). The conditions at BCJJC have been stabilized and we have had no new influenza cases today. This is a very good indication that things are improving.

I also wanted to inform you that the Department of Mental Health and Hygiene (DHMH) will be announcing that Maryland has experienced its first H1N1 related death. However, the individual was an elderly person, with serious underlying medical conditions.

DHMH has advised that this death is no different then those who have had preexisting conditions and then have caught the normal flu. Complications and death are common with those with serious underlying health conditions, as presented in this case.

Again, DJS will continue to keep you fully informed as additional information becomes available. Thanks again for your hard work and professionalism in handling this situation.

Sincerely,



Donald W. DeVore
Secretary

Additional information regarding H1N1 and influenza can be found at:

Maryland DHMH H1N1 Influenza information:

<http://www.dhmh.md.gov/swineflu/index.html>

The Weekly CDC Novel H1N1 Flu Situation Update:

<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/update.htm>

CDC Interim Patient Treatment and Risk Guidance:

<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/identifyingpatients.htm>

